THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Adequate measures, as part of operational preparedness, have been taken to meet any challenge to our territorial integrity.

Alleged humilitation of the Accounts Officer of Ordance Factory at Tiruchirapally

14. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Accounts Officers, Ordnance Factory, Tiruchirapally had written a letter on 18th June, 1987 to Shri T. S. Amrithalingam, Senior Auditor of Accounts Office Ordnance Factory, Tiruchirapally, giving five point assurances none of which have been implemented;

(b) whether it is also a fact that some officials of the office belonging to caste Hindu had broken the bones of Amrithalingam's Mother since they belonged to Scheduled Caste community;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the culprits would be punished?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) The Controller General Defence Accounts has reported that no such assurances were given to Shri T. S. Amrithalingam.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Suggestions of the National Institute of Information Technolgy regarding unemployed youth

15. SHRI DAYANAND SAHAY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether some suggestions have been made by the National Institute of Information Technology regarding earning of huge foreign exchange by converting unemployed educated youth into skilled resource of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to take any action thereon; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) The Department of Electronics has not received any such suggestions from the National Institute of Information Technology.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Demand for increase in the seats for different courses in the Delhi University

16. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi University Students' Union, Colleges' Unions and the National Students Union of India are demanding the initiation of new courses in the colleges and the increase in existing seats;

(b) whether the above mentioned Unions representatives staged a dharna before the University Grants Commission and submitted a memorandum of demands; and

(c) if so, the details of the said demands and Government's reaction in this regard?